[Mr. K. George.]

upon to publish unreserved expression of regret for having published certain objectionable articles, failing which they were told that Government would be constrained to take action against them.

(*e*) (1) The 'Navasakti', (2) The 'Powra Prabha' and (3) The 'Prathdinam'.

Standard of knowledge of V. S. L. C. Holders.

66. **MR. ITTOOP ITTEECHAN** (*Kunnatnad*): Will the Government be pleased to state whether they consider that the age and standard of knowledge of the V. S. L. C. holders are sufficient for the profession of Vernacular School teachers?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): Yes. Under Rule 54 (*a*) of the Education Code, the V. S. L. C. is a prescribed general educational qualification for teachers of Classes I to IV of Primary Schools.

Under Rule 55, no one will be granted a license to teach if he is not 16 years of age.

Seats for women in Municipal Councils.

67. **MRS. ELIZABETH KURUVILA** (*Nominated*): Will the Government be pleased to state whether they realise the incongruity of continuing to maintain at the present time the clause in the Municipal Regulation debarring women from seats on Municipal Councils?

MR. F. N. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*): Yes; and they have asked the Additional Head Sirkar Vakil to make suitable provisions for removing the incongruity in the draft Bills he has under preparation to amend the Municipal Regulation.

Construction of a Legislative Council Hall.

68. **MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN** (*Mavelikara* cum *Kartikapalli*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether the question of the construction of a Legislative Council Hall is still (16-4-1106) engaging their attention;

(*b*) if the answer to part (*a*) is in the affirmative, the extent to which it has progressed and the reason for the delay in carrying out the proposal; and

(*c*) if the answer to part (*a*) is in the negative, the time at which and the manner in which the question was disposed of?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) The Government have not yet decided the site on which the Council Hall should be located.

(*c*) This does not arise in view of the answer to part (*b*).

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara* cum *Kartikapalli*): With reference to part (*b*), may I know whether the Government had fixed any site at any time and whether such sites were considered by Government?

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